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ACTION EUR-12

INFO OCT-01 EA-07 ISO-00 SP-02 AID-05 EB-07 NSC-05 CIEP-01

TRSE-00 SS-15 STR-04 OMB-01 CEA-01 CIAE-00 COME-00

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FM AMEMBASSY BONN

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 6031

INFO USMISSION EC BRUSSELS

USMISSION OECD PARIS

AMEMBASSY MADRID

AMEMBASSY STOCKHOLM

AMEMBASSY TOKYO

AMEMBASSY VIENNA

AMCONSUL DUSSELDORF

AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS

AMEMBASSY COPENHAGEN

AMEMBASSY DUBLIN

AMEMBASSY LONDON

AMEMBASSY LUXEMBOURG

AMEMBASSY PARIS

AMEMBASSY THE HAGUE

AMEMBASSY ROME

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EIND, ETRD, EEC

SUBJECT: ELINIMUM STEEL PRICE ISSUE

REF: USEC 532, BONN 20296

L. FRG TRADE POLICY OFFICIAL IN ECONOMICS MINISTRY

(KUEHN) TOLD US JANUARY 28 THAT HE WAS CONCERNED ABOUT

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STEEL PRICES, AND THAT HE WAS NO LONGER CERTAIN THIS  
PRESSURE COULD BE WITHSTOOD. WE EXPRESSED SOME  
SURPRISE, RECALLING THAT FRG HAD EARLIER COME DOWN  
VERY HARD AGAINST MINIMUM STEEL PRICE PROPOSAL AND  
HAD MARSHALLED CONSIDERABLE FORCES TO BLOCK THIS  
PROPOSAL. KUEHN COMMENTED THAT WHEN IT CONCERNS A  
PARTICULAR PRODUCT ON ISSUE, PROTECTIONIST FORCES  
ARE OFTEN ABLE TO BRING MORE INFLUENCE TO BEAR  
THAN LIBERAL INTERESTS. FRG HAS NOT ALTERED ITS  
POSITION, BUT KUEHN IS NOT SURE WHETHER FRG WILL  
WANT TO BEAR ONUS OF HOLDING OUT AS SOLE EC MEMBER  
OPPOSING MINIMUM PRICES AT FEBRUARY 9-10 FOREIGN  
FOREIGN MINISTERS COUNCIL.  
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